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Comments: Please, please, please consider protecting the Thompson Divide from development and drilling. With so much discord, so much senseless violence, so much political animosity, the human spirit craves reconnecting to nature to be refreshed and healed before re-entering "real" life. Research has shown that being in nature for at least two hours a week promotes better breathing, improved sleep, reduction of depression symptoms, restored mental and emotional refuge to unwind and recharge, and boosted immune function to name a few.

I feel that the role of the BLM is to protect the shrinking wilderness areas for the people of the U.S., not to help provide private corporations with even more money.

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